

### **REMARKS**

The Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the presented amendments prior to the examination of the application. By way of the present response the Applicants have cancelled claims 18-37 without prejudice. As such, claims 1-17 and 38 are now pending. No new matter has been added.

The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application and the allowance of all claims.

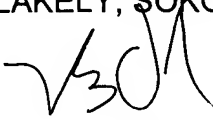
**COMMENTS**

If there are any additional charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666. If a telephone interview would in any way expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact Robert B. O'Rourke at (408) 720-8300.

Respectfully submitted,

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